

Preliminary Amendment

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For: INDUCIBLE LIGAND FOR $\alpha 1\beta 1$ INTEGRIN AND USES

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Amendments to the Specification

Please insert the following new paragraph at page 1, line 5 (immediately after "This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/423,297, filed 01 November 2002, which is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety." and immediately before "BACKGROUND"):

"GOVERNMENT FUNDING

The present invention was made with government support under NIH Grant No. R01 DK55000, awarded by the National Institutes of Health. The Government may have certain rights in this invention."

Following the drawings, please insert the SEQUENCE LISTING as enclosed herewith.